



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL  
INSPECTIONS  
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**

**Wednesday, November 30, 2011**

**10:00 AM**

Present: Chairperson Montaño, Vice Chairperson Bacio, Commissioner Bigby, Commissioner Hall and Commissioner Hill

The Pledge of Allegiance will be led by Chairperson Montaño.

**Chairperson Montaño led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.**

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. Meeting to be called to order by Chairperson Montaño. (11-5213)

**Chairperson Montaño called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.**

2. Approval of the November 16, 2011 Minutes. (11-5214)

**On motion of Vice-Chairperson Bacio, seconded by Commissioner Bigby, unanimously carried, the minutes of the meeting of November 16, 2011 were approved with edits.**

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

**II. REPORTS**

3. Chairperson's Report on Various Items for November 30, 2011. (11-5215)

**Chairperson Montaño shared the following newspaper articles with the Commission.**

**Daily Breeze:**

- **Lawmakers Propose Bills to Avoid Molestation Scandals (November 24, 2011)**

**Los Angeles Times:**

- **Protecting the Most Vulnerable (November 28, 2011)**

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- **A Triumph Over Crime (November 26, 2011, Editorial)**
  - **From the Battlefield into Deputies' Vehicles (November 25, 2011)**
  - **Inmate Won't Pursue Assault Case (November 24, 2011)**
  - **Backlog of Child Abuse Probes Fixed (November 24, 2011)**
  - **A Message to the Sheriff (November 22, 2011)**
  - **Children Protest Public Hearings (November 22, 2011)**
  - **Costly Overhaul of 2 Jails Proposed (November 21, 2011)**
  - **\$1.4-Billion Jails Project Proposed (November 21, 2011)**

Following discussion, Chairperson Montaño informed the Commission of item No. S-2 of the Board of Supervisors November 29, 2011 Supplemental Agenda, regarding the Sheriff's status report of implementing the recommendations made by Special Counsel Merrick Bobb and the Office of Independent Review relating to jail violence.

4. Treasurer's Report for November 30, 2011. (11-5216)

**Vice Chairperson Bacio reported that the current bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$605.77.**

5. Staff Report on Correspondence Received, and Department Representative Reports. (11-5218)

**Nyla Jefferson, staff, Commission Services, reported that audio recordings of the Commissions' meetings will be linked to the minutes, and will be available online, starting with the December 7, 2011 meeting. She also reported that The Internal Services Department's new parking protocol goes into effect December 1, 2011. She concluded by informing the Commission that Lee Millen of Commission Services is retiring from County service, effective December 1, 2011.**

6. Review of Group Home Compliance Monitoring Audit Reports. (11-5219)

**The following are Group Home monitoring review reports from the Probation Department, and the Department of Children and Family Services which were inspected by the Sybil Brand Commissioners for Contract Compliance.**

**The following Group Homes were reported as being in full compliance:**

**Commissioners Bigby and Hill visited Hathaway-Sycamores Children & Family Services - 20 #3, on November 25, 2011, and re-visited on November 28, 2011; and Children Are Our Future "Chatsworth House" - 7 #4, on November 21, 2011.**

**The following Group Homes were reported as not being in compliance:**

**Commissioners Bigby and Hill visited Children Are Our Future "West Hills" - 7 #3, on November 29, 2011 and Children Are Our Future "Legg House" - 8 #1, on November 18, 2011.**

7. Commissioners' Reports on Group Homes and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from November 17, 2011 to November 29, 2011. (11-5220)

**During the reporting period the following Group Homes were reported as being in satisfactory condition:**

**Chairperson Montaño visited Positive Path Youth Development Center - 35 #4, on November 22, 2011; Fleming & Barnes Diamondale Adolescent #2 - 18 #2, on November 28, 2011; and Lakewood Sheriff Station, on November 23, 2011.**

**Chairperson Montaño and Vice Chairperson Bacio visited Whittier Branch Courthouse, on November 29, 2011; and Maryvale - 27 #4, on November 22, 2011.**

**The following Group Home was visited, but was not inspected:**

**Chairperson Montaño visited Children Are Our Future "Saticoy House" - 7 #1, on November 21, 2011, however, the facility was not inspected, as no one was home.**

**Following discussion, Vice Chairperson Bacio reported that he was informed by former Commissioner Hammargren, that due his commitment to a prior engagement, he is unable to attend the Commissions' December 7, 2011 Holiday gathering.**

### **III. DISCUSSIONS**

8. Discussion on Preparing a Presentation to Sheriff Baca on the Most Effective Way to Enhance Existing Programs Offered to Inmates in County Jail Facilities. (Continued from the meeting of November 16, 2011) (11-4998)

**The Commissioners decided to request copies of any Corrective Action Plans recommended by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, pertaining to the issues of deputy misconduct at County Jail Facilities and allegations against the Sheriff's Department, from the Sheriff Department representative at the January 18, 2012 Business meeting.**

#### **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

##### **Matters Not Posted**

9. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (11-5221)

**There were no matters presented for a future agenda.**

##### **Public Comment**

10. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (11-5222)

**There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.**

##### **Adjournment**

11. Adjournment for the meeting of November 30, 2011. (11-5223)

**The November 16, 2011 meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.**